



**Old Town Historical Committee**

Monday, July 12, 2010

5:45 PM

**Minutes**

**Call to order:** Dr. Bender called the meeting to order at 5:44pm.

**Roll Call:** Present for roll call were Dr. Bender, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry and Mrs. Mershon.

Also, in attendance was Mr. Jarvis (Main Street Program), Mr. Garvin (Main Street Program), Mayor Ebert, Tony Note (Landmarks), Mr. Dutton (P&Z), Mr. Peoples and Mr. Strayer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry moved to approve the minutes of the June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting; seconded by Mrs. Mershon.

**VOTE:**                      **AYES:**                      **Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mrs. Rush Ekelberry**

**NAYS:**  
Motion carried.

**Pended Items:**

**06-01      Interurban Building Update**

Nothing further to add to the update; however Mr. Jarvis was able to find an old photograph of the Interurban in its working days. He was struck by how well we have captured the essence of the building. Discussion ensued as to the exterior look of the building.

**09-05      Town Hall Windows Update** – Still awaiting OHPO review.

**10-02      Canal Winchester Blues & Ribfest Update**

Mr. Jarvis brought flyers for the Blues and Rib fest for the members to preview before they are distributed around town. Mr. Jarvis added that they are going to print out t-shirts for this event that will be available for sale at the Farmer's Market in advance and during the event itself. We are also advertising in The Other paper, as well as in the SE Messenger and The Pickerington Sun Times.

The possibility of a shuttle being available from the high school to downtown was discussed. School buses could be used, but we do not have a sponsor to pay for the driver's time and gas at this time. It would be a fund-raising possibility for a group next year.

### **10-03      Downtown Mural**

Mr. Strayer stated that they should have some discussion about funding the mural and utilizing public funds. We can't use public funds on a private building. Mrs. Mershon suggested that it be done with donations and asked if Main Street would help with fund-raising. Mr. Garvin reminded her that they are still fund-raising to finish the Interurban. Discussion ensued. It was decided that this would be re-addressed after the first of the year or next spring, so that the Interurban will be further along. It will be put back on the agenda at the first of the year.

### **10-05      Preservation Area Process Changes - Update**

Mr. Strayer has some proposed dates and agendas for the Downtown Zoning Sub-committee. They will meet on the fourth Monday of the month from 5:30 – 6:30pm. They will look at map revisions, zoning code revisions and processes of zoning approval. Members will be Mrs. Mershon (Old Town), Joe Abbott (P&Z), Mike Ippoliti (Landmarks), Mr. Jarvis (Main Street), Jennifer Soloman (business property owner), Brent Fulley (resident), Nathan Nate (resident), Mr. Strayer, Mayor Ebert, Andrew Dutton and Bob Garvin.

### **New Items for Discussion**

Mr. Garvin asked if a letter had been sent regarding weeds that are growing out of the roof of the building that used to be Studio Fusion. Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Mershon asked about the grass along Waterloo out to Gender, in front of Walmart. Mr. Strayer notified the property owner that it has to be mowed.

### **Old Business:**

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry noted that there is a big blue sign on 33, right along the guard rail at the entrance to Carroll that says "Welcome to Carroll". She asked how that can be okay with ODOT. Mr. Strayer will look into it.

Mr. Jarvis added that he was approached by someone that was trying to locate people who had served in Afghanistan or Iraq and they weren't having any luck. He asked if Council or staff know of anyone that served in those wars from the Canal Winchester school district to let him know, as they are trying to honor them at a football game later in the year.

Mr. Note stated that the guidelines for business signs could be revised to match or be closer to the guidelines from places such as Victorian Village. Landmarks will be looking into these other communities' guidelines in the future. Discussion ensued.

### **Adjournment:**

Mrs. Mershon moved to adjourn this meeting of the Old Town Committee and was seconded by Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry.

**VOTE:**                      **AYES:**                      **Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mrs. Rush Ekelberry**  
**NAYS:**

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21pm.